

21 September 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 7 Student Leadership Opportunities Taster Week - Week beginning Monday 28 September

At The Weald we offer unique and special opportunities for students to take on leadership roles in our school community. Across the school we have a number of strands which are run by our students and overseen by a member of staff. Each strand contains students of different ages and levels of experience who work together to learn and develop new skills from one another. Students work towards bronze, silver and gold awards which are awarded as students meet the desired criteria. This not only provides motivation but also aids them in knowing how to progress their skill set, as well as developing as a leader.

We strongly encourage students to embrace new opportunities and, therefore, **our current student leaders are providing Year 7 taster sessions which will run the week beginning Monday 28 September**. Students do not need to sign up; they just need to go to the location outlined below. Late buses are provided Tuesday to Thursday. If for any reason students cannot make it next week, they are still welcome to attend at any time.

Leadership Opportunities on Offer

Radio Weald - Tuesday after school in M3 - Overseen by Mr Gardner

Radio Weald is a place for young leaders to develop their interest in broadcasting and radio and share it with others. Student leaders are vital to the running of our much-loved radio station. They plan the content, run the technical side of the broadcasts and train new members as they work their way up the leadership ladder.

At our Tuesday meetings you can learn to...

- Present a radio show
- Be a producer
- Write and produce jingles
- Market a radio station
- And much more...

Visit our [website](#) or speak to Mr Gardner to find out more!

LRC Leaders - Students lead in the LRC at break and lunch on a rota. Students should see Miss Robertson in the LRC to sign up - Overseen by Ms Robertson

The Student Librarians carry out a variety of duties to keep the LRC running smoothly and supporting Ms Robertson throughout break and lunch periods.

Tasks include:

- Issuing and returning books
- Helping staff and pupils to find books
- Shelving returned books
- Adding new stock to the library system
- Creating displays

Student Technicians - Thursday after school in the school hall - Overseen by Mr Martin

Student Technicians are a dedicated team of students drawn from all year groups who provide technical support for a range of school events.

Tasks include:

- Technical support for staff running assemblies around school
- Technical and production crew for the annual school production (including lighting and sound)
- Opportunities to get involved with running PA systems for some of the schools biggest events such as Gold Awards, Sports Day and many more!

Weald TV - Wednesday after school in A38 - Overseen by Mr Webster

The Weald has its own production team, who use advanced audiovisual equipment including a green screen to create content for all areas of the school. They're responsible for live-streaming assemblies and the creation of school promotional videos.

Students can learn and take on a variety of production roles, including:

- floor manager
- studio operator
- editor
- camera operator
- Writer-presenters

This is a student lead opportunity to develop new technical skills as well as exploring your artistic side.

Eco Club - Tuesday afterschool in L10 - Overseen by Mr Wood

This club involves students from all year-groups who will work together to:

- Raise awareness of environmental issues.
- Currently working on managing the "Wilding Patch" an area of the school set aside for wildlife.

The club is Pupil-led with leadership roles and responsibilities.

Eco Club will try to make the school more environmentally aware, eco-friendly and a safe area for local wildlife.

Team Weald Greenpower Car Racing Club - Thursday 5.30-7.30pm (starts after October Half Term) - Club coordinator Mr C Evans

The Greenpower project is an opportunity for students to engage in science and technology within the world of electric car racing. Team Weald has been very successful over the years and we continue to go from strength to strength.

On club nights you can learn about all aspects of the team including:

- How the cars are built and how they work
- Marketing and social media
- Race strategy
- Filming and photography
- Teamwork
- And much more...

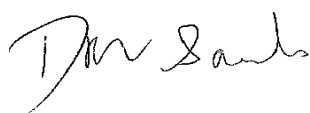
Places are limited and if you would like to join us please contact us using one of the methods below and we will send you our club application form. We are looking for a range of new people including students who have a range of skills, for example those who are interested in promoting the club, as well as technicians and drivers.

The club starts for Year 7 students after October half term, you can join the Greenpower Classroom now using this code c3lkg5r or use the [link](#). Alternatively, you can email Mr Evans direct cevens@theweald.org.uk

To learn more about Greenpower you can see Team Weald www.teamweald.org.uk or www.greenpower.co.uk

If you would like any more information about any of the above opportunities, please email the strand leaders.

Yours faithfully,



Mr D Sands
(Student Leadership Coordinator)